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1. Location:

At the Rostov airfield about 2½ miles NNE of the two Don bridges.

2. Designation:

Aircraft Plant No 168 (heard fro the Soviet camp headquarters).

3. Three to four aircraft took off each day from the field until April 1942. There was no other flying. The planes flew north at an altitude of about 1,000 to 1,300 feet and landed again at the field. It seemed peculiar that the landing gear often remained half-retracted when the aircraft landed.

4. Characteristics of the observed aircraft type:

1 engine, wings without pronounced sweep-back, overall length about 33 to 40 feet, wing span about 50 feet. Openings, apparently for machine guns, in leading edge of wing. Firing was not heard or seen. Simple rudder assembly set rather high.

5. PWs who came closer to the plant stated that the planes produced in the plant were tested there.

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